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SUBJECT: BRSLOCUM QUALITY BIRD - POSSIBLE CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST

REF: ACCRA 093, 1/7/74

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED TELEGRAM JULY 8 FROM "BRSLOCUM QUALITY BIRD," 7281 N.W. 77TH STREET, MIAMI, FL, TELEX 51-2592, SIGNED "NILCOL," ASKING OUR ASSISTANCE CONCERNING 721 AFRICAN GREY PARROTS SHIPPED TO THEM ON JUNE 3, 1975, BY GHANIAN EXPORTER MARCUS HUGHES. TELEGRAM STATED BECAUSE EXPORT PERMIT ISSUED HUGHES FOR 600 BIRDS NOT 721, GHANA GAME AND WILDLIFE OFFICIAL WROTE TO U.S. CUSTOMS STATING THAT ALL BIRDS MUST BE KILLED OR RETURNED TO GHANA. TELEGRAM SPECIFIED CONGRESSMAN CLAUDE PEPPER QUOTE A GOOD FRIEND OF MINE UNQUOTE INFORMED.

2. EMBOFF TALKED TO MR. C.K. MANU, DEPUTY CHIEF WILDLIFE OFFICER, AND MR. N.K. ANKUDEY, GAME WARDEN, GAME AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT. MANU SAID HIS DEPARTMENT WAS CARRYING OUT INVESTIGATION IN CORREDINATION WITH BANK OF GHANA TO DECIDE WHETHER ENTIRE SHIPMENT OR ONLY 121 BIRDS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO GHANA. HE SAID HE EXPECTED INVESTIGATION TO BE COMPLETED IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS AND THAT HIS DEPARTMENT WOULD NOTIFY U.S. CUSTOMS OFFICIALS OF THEIR DECISION. MANU SAID ISSUANCE OF FURTHER EXPORT LICENSES TO MARCUS HUGHES HAD BEEN SUSPENDED PENDING THE OUTCOME OF THIS MATTER. EMBASSY WILL KEEP IN TOUCH WITH GAME AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT AND REPORT FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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3. THERE WAS A PREVIOUS TRADE COMPLAINT AGAINST MARCUS HUGHES

BY A KENNETH PARRISH CONCERNING PARROTS PAID FOR BUT NOT
DELIVERED, WHICH TO EMBASSY'S KNOWLEDGE HAS NOT BEEN RESOLVED.
CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST WAS INVOLVED (SEE REFTEL).

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PASS SUBSTANCE PARA 2 TO BRSLOCUM
QUALITY BIRD.
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